

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena

May 1996

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Killed	Persons Injured	Estimated Damage Property	Crops	Character of Storm
TEXAS, North									
TXZ119	Dallas	01 0800CST			0	0			Drought
		31 2300CST							
A long dry spell for North Texas beginning in the Fall of 1995 resulted in moderate drought conditions across the entire area, except for the extreme eastern portions where severe drought conditions were prevalent. Typically the wettest month of the year, May was unusually dry in 1996. In the Dallas/Fort Worth area, rainfall recorded during the month was the 7th driest May of all time. The period from January through May was the 4th driest of all time while the 10 month period ending in May 1996 was the 7th driest of all time. This extended period of low precipitation resulted in numerous problems for the agricultural community including low harvest yields of wheat and hay, and minimal to low planting success of corn, cotton, grain sorghum, peanuts and rice; ranchers and dairy farmers were forced to sell cattle at record low prices due to the lack of grazelands, high price of hay (the price of hay doubled in a year), and the shortage of surface drinking water. Wheat production across the state was down 50 to 90 percent from 1995 levels and was at the lowest level since 1978. Additionally, area lake levels were down, impacting the recreational economy, as well. Water conservation began in several of the smaller communities in North Texas. The 1996 Drought is being labelled as the second worst natural disaster in Texas history, with crop and livestock losses estimated at \$2.4 billion statewide and related losses estimated at \$4.1 billion.									
Eastland County									
4 W Cisco	05	2155CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Young County									
2 WSW Padgett	05	2205CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G57)
Throckmorton County									
2 E Elbert	05	2205CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G57)
Eastland County									
Eastland	05	2211CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G57)
Eastland County									
Eastland	05	2220CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
Parker County									
2 SE Weatherford	05	2359CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Parker County									
2 E Weatherford	06	0005CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Denton County									
Sanger	06	0049CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G52)
Denton County									
Krum	06	0100CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Denton County									
Bolivar	06	0100CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Cooke County									
Valley View	06	0105CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Cooke County									
Valley View	06	0105CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind
Trees were blown down by high winds.									
TXZ132	Somervell								
	06	0330CST			0	0			High Wind (G56)
		0340CST							
Strong mesoscale straight line winds well to the rear of a squall line were estimated at 65 mph.									
TXZ143	Hamilton								
	06	0340CST			0	0	2K		High Wind
		0350CST							
Strong mesoscale straight line winds well to the rear of a squall line blew a tree down and caused minor damage to a home.									
Bell County									
Temple	06	0937CST			0	0			Flash Flood
		0945CST							
Street flooding was reported.									
Dallas County									
Dallas	10	2211CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)

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TEXAS, North									
Montague County Nocona	21	1900CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Montague County Forestburg	21	2015CST			0	0			Hail (1.75)
Stephens County 5 W Breckenridge	26	2301CST			0	0			Hail (1.75)
Young County 4 N Graham	26	2330CST			0	0			Hail (1.75)
Palo Pinto County Mineral Wells	27	0230CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Wise County Boyd	27	0250CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Parker County Springtown	27	0300CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind
		A tree was blown down across a road.							
Denton County 5 E Lewisville	27	0402CST			0	0			Hail (0.88)
Collin County Lucas	27	0414CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Collin County Lucas	27	0415CST			0	0	1K		Thunderstorm Wind (G68)
		A thunderstorm gust measured at 78 mph blew the roof off a barn.							
Delta County 1 W Cooper	27	0531CST			0	0			Hail (0.88)
Delta County Enloe	27	0535CST			0	0			Hail (0.88)
Johnson County Cleburne	28	1505CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Johnson County Cleburne	28	1540CST 1550CST			0	0			Flash Flood
		Water was up to riding boards on Highway 67.							
Tarrant County 5 E Crowley	28	1603CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Tarrant County 1 E Mansfield	28	1611CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Tarrant County Arlington	28	1621CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Dallas County Grand Prairie	28	1642CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Dallas County Grand Prairie	28	1650CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Dallas County (Nbe)Nas Dallas	28	1653CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Somervell County 6 S Glen Rose	28	1700CST			0	0			Hail (1.50)
Dallas County Dallas	28	1705CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)

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Dallas County Richardson	28	1720CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Bosque County 4 NE Womack	28	1729CST			0	0			Hail (1.75)
Dallas County Garland	28	1735CST			0	0			Hail (1.50)
Dallas County Richardson	28	1737CST			0	0			Hail (2.00)
Collin County Murphy	28	1742CST			0	0			Hail (1.50)
Bosque County 4 NE Womack	28	1745CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G52)
Hill County Whitney	28	1745CST			0	0			Hail (1.75)
Bosque County 9 E Meridian	28	1810CST 1815CST			0	0	2K		Lightning
		Lightning started a barn fire.							
Collin County Culleoka	28	1810CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Stephens County Hubbard Creek Lake	28	2305CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Stephens County Crystal Falls	28	2335CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Mills County Mullin	29	2253CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Mills County Priddy	29	2253CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Lampasas County 1 N Lampasas	29	2316CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Hamilton County 4 SE Whiteway	29	2330CST			0	0	2K		Thunderstorm Wind
		Power lines were blown down by high winds.							
Hamilton County Hamilton	29	2330CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind
		Trees were blown down by high winds and were blocking a road.							
Coryell County Turnersville	29	2345CST			0	0	2K		Thunderstorm Wind
		Trees and signs were blown down by high winds.							
Bosque County Cranfills Gap	29	2350CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G52)
Bell County (Tpl) Temple Muni Arp	30	0025CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G74)
McLennan County Crawford	30	0038CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Bell County Belton	30	0042CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind
		A mobile home was blown over by high winds.							
Bell County 1 S Killeen	30	0058CST			0	0	3K		Thunderstorm Wind

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A roof was blown off a house.									
Hill County									
Hubbard	30	0100CST			0	0	2K		Thunderstorm Wind
Sheds were damaged and trees were uprooted by high winds.									
Haskell County									
3 N Haskell	30	1320CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Throckmorton County									
15 NW Throckmorton	30	1410CST			0	0			Hail (0.88)
Throckmorton County									
9 W Throckmorton	30	1417CST			0	0			Hail (0.88)
Young County									
Graham	30	1530CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Stephens County									
Breckenridge	30	1618CST			0	0			Hail (0.88)
Palo Pinto County									
Possum Kingdom Lake	30	1735CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Palo Pinto County									
3 N Possum Kingdom Lake	30	1740CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Palo Pinto County									
Strawn	30	1750CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Eastland County									
6 W Cisco	30	1750CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Erath County									
3 SW Clairette	30	1800CST			0	0	15K		Thunderstorm Wind
Highs winds caused damage to roofs.									
Palo Pinto County									
1 W Gordon	30	1801CST			0	0			Hail (0.88)
Eastland County									
Cisco	30	1801CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G52)
Eastland County									
6 N Rising Star	30	1808CST 1812CST	0.1	20	0	0			Tornado (F0)
Spotters reported a brief tornado touchdown.									
Palo Pinto County									
Palo Pinto	30	1830CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Erath County									
Stephenville	30	1840CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind
High winds blew large limbs off trees.									
Comanche County									
2 W Beattie	30	1926CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G65)
Comanche County									
1 S Beattie	30	1926CST 1930CST	0.1	20	0	0			Tornado (F0)
A brief tornado touchdown was reported.									
McLennan County									
Waco	30	2117CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
McLennan County									
2 S Crawford	30	2124CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G52)
Bosque County									
Moshiem	30	2140CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind
Trees were blown down by high winds.									

